

IPPS Proposed Rule

April 24, 2018, CMS issued a proposed rule to Medicare payment policies and rates under the Inpatient Prospective Payment System (IPPS) and the Long-Term Care Hospital (LTCH) Prospective Payment System, as well as a Request for Information (RFI) to solicit feedback on ways to better achieve interoperability.

CMS is proposing to overhaul the EHR Incentive Programs to make the program more flexible and less burdensome, emphasize measures that require the exchange of health information between providers and patients, and incentivize providers to make it easier for patients to obtain their medical records electronically.

More information on the proposed rule will be shared as it becomes available.

Important Dates for Eligible Professionals, Eligible Hospitals and Critical Access Hospitals:

- **January 1, 2018**
Reporting period begins for Program Year 2018.
- **February 28, 2018**
EHs and CAHs attesting to CMS must submit 2017 MU attestations to the QNet.
- **March 31, 2018**
Deadline to submit Program Year 2017 attestations.
- **August 2018**
Tentative go live date for Program Year 2018 Mod Stage 2
- **September 2018**
Tentative go live date for Program Year 2018 Stage 3
- **December 31, 2018**
Reporting period ends for Program Year 2018.
- **March 31, 2019**
Deadline to submit Program Year 2018 attestations.
- **2021**
Last year to receive Medicaid EHR incentive payment.

KHIE Connection

Kentucky Health Information Exchange (KHIE) is the Public Health Authority in the Commonwealth for the public health measures within the EHR Incentive Program. In order to be deemed a Meaningful User the provider must have a signed Participation Agreement and signed addendum(s) on file with KHIE for each public health objective selected for attestation. Public Health guidance is available on the EHR website as well as the KHIE website.

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Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program Status, April 30, 2018

	Registrations	Completed Attestations	Total Paid	Amount Paid
Hospitals	95	301	271	\$133,698,694.17
Providers	5,250	10,554	8,554	\$123,888,917.95
Totals	5,345	10,855	8,825	\$257,587,612.12

For Assistance with Meaningful Use

Regional Extension Centers (REC)

- Kentucky REC at the University of Kentucky: <http://kentuckyrec.com/>
- Kentucky Rural Health Information Organization: <http://nekyrhio.org/>

Kentucky Medicaid EHR Incentive Program

- Medicaid EHR website <http://chfs.ky.gov/dms/ehr.htm>
- Send an email to EHRIncentives@ky.gov
- Send an email from Send E-mail function at <https://prdweb.chfs.ky.gov/KYSLR/Login.aspx>
- Submit an Issue/Concern through attestation website